meet the potable water requirement of Delhi. Government of UP has indicated its no objection to reserving 300 cusecs of water provided Delhi Administration agreed to share the cost of construction of the Dam. Delhi Administration had agreed to share the cost and deposited an amount of Rs. 5 crore with Tehri Hydro Development Corporation.

(d) DJB has intimated that no extra expenditure is to be spent on commissioning of the Plant, after raw water is made available from Tehri Dam.

Issue of receipts for security money by DMRC

2862. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the consumer court has pulled up the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation for not issuing receipts for the security money deposited by the commuters while purchasing smart cards; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the steps taken to correct the anomaly?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (b) Hon'ble Consumer Forum has ordered that the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation shall issue receipt to all the passengers who purchase smart card in respect of refundable security of Rs. 100/- or, in future, specify security of Rs. 100/- on the Smart Card. Delhi Metro Rail Corporation has an Automatic Fare Collection system wherein, each transaction is stored in the computer in electronic form. Hence, the refundable security deposit is also in the record in the computer. Also, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation has displayed that "Security Deposit of Rs. 100/- for purchase of Smart Card is refundable" at every Customer Care Centre from where these cards are sold.

Delhi Metro Rail Corporation is now issuing Smart Cards alongwith covers/jackets indicating that the Security Deposit of Rs. 100/- is refundable and also issuing receipts for refundable security on demand.

Concession for Senior Citizens, etc. in Delhi Metro

2863. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN:Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) is at present not extending any concession in its fares to senior citizens, physically challenged persons, children below 12 years of age and students commuting in the Metro Rail, and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Delhi Metro Project is being implemented by borrowed funds to the extent of 70% (approx), which has to be repaid to Government of India/Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi. As per the Delhi Metro Railway (Operation & Maintenance) Act, 2002, the fare structure for Delhi Metro is decided by a Fare Fixation Committee. The Committee, in its recommendations, did not propose any such concessions since it was guided by the twin objectives of long-term sustainability of Delhi Metro and social justice.

Allocation of funds to NER

2864. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds allocated to the States of North-Eastern Region under the National Urban Development Programme during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;

(b) the number of the cities of the region developed and the activities undertaken in such cities during the said period?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a)and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

RWAs in Vasant Kunj

2865. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Residents Welfare Associations registered in Vasant Kunj under the Societies Registration Act, XXI of 1860;